

Forest Land- Gadchiroli

Re-diversion of 3.7430 ha. forest land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980 in favour of M/s Bharti Airtel Limited for laying of underground optical fibre cable along the road within RoW of existing road Mul-Konsari-Udera route in Gadchiroli District in the State of Maharashtra.

**Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.: 10-F/61.CR/25A36 -FLD
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032
Date:- 19.05.2025**

Reference:-

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, MS, Nagpur
Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/FCA-S1/PID-525950/2870, dt.24.03.2025.

Preamble:-

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, MS, Nagpur has submitted a proposal for Re-diversion of 3.7430 ha. forest land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980 in favour of M/s Bharti Airtel Limited for laying of underground optical fibre cable along the road within RoW of existing road Mul-Konsari-Udera route in FDCM Compartment No.249, Vishvnathnagar, Vivekanandpur, Bandukpalli, Bhawanipur, Bhagwantnagar, Fuski check, Sundarnagar, Khudirampalli, Ambatpalli, Gomni, Mathuranagar, Krishnapur Velgur, Navegaon, Velgur S, Botlacheru, Tanbodi, Itlcheru, Khamncheru, Kannepalli, Rampur S, Krishnapur, Aheri, Yenkapalli, Nagepalli M, Allapalli, Talwada, Mirkal, Medpalli, Koreli Khurd, Arenda Village in Chamorshi, Mulchera, Aheri Tehsil of District Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

Order:-

In exercise of powers under general approval given by MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Handbook of FCA Guidelines-2023, Chapter 4 (para-4.2), Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant '**In-principle**' approval to the Re-diversion of 3.7430 ha. forest land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980 in favour of M/s Bharti Airtel Limited for laying of underground optical fibre cable along the road within RoW of existing road Mul-Konsari-Udera route in FDCM Compartment No.249, Vishvnathnagar, Vivekanandpur, Bandukpalli, Bhawanipur, Bhagwantnagar, Fuski check, Sundarnagar, Khudirampalli, Ambatpalli, Gomni, Mathuranagar, Krishnapur Velgur, Navegaon, Velgur S, Botlacheru, Tanbodi, Itlcheru, Khamncheru, Kannepalli, Rampur S, Krishnapur, Aheri, Yenkapalli, Nagepalli M, Allapalli, Talwada, Mirkal, Medpalli, Koreli Khurd, Arenda Village in Chamorshi, Mulchera, Aheri Tehsil of District Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

The details of Forest Land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Taluka	Village Name	Compt. No.	Survey No. /Gut No.	Length (m.)	Width (m.)	Area (sq.m.)	Area (ha.)	Legal Status
1	Chamorshi	-	249	-	899.4	0.5	449.7	0.0450	RF
2	Chamorshi	-	237	-	156.8	0.5	78.4	0.0078	RF
3	Chamorshi	-	250	-	1730.4	0.5	865.2	0.0865	RF
4	Chamorshi	-	278	-	2488.7	0.5	1244.35	0.1244	RF
5	Chamorshi	-	280, 294	-	368.5	0.5	184.25	0.0184	RF
6	Chamorshi	-	292	-	1896	0.5	948	0.0948	RF
7	Chamorshi	-	291	-	981.3	0.5	490.65	0.0491	RF
8	Chamorshi	-	289	-	1687.1	0.5	843.55	0.0844	RF
9	Chamorshi	-	288	-	1562.1	0.5	781.05	0.0781	RF
10	Chamorshi	-	284, 285	-	2399.5	0.5	1199.75	0.1200	RF
11	Mulchera	-	1819	-	1115.3	0.5	557.65	0.0558	RF
12	Mulchera	Vivekanandpur	1463	163/1	291	0.5	145.5	0.0146	RF
13	Mulchera	Vivekanandpur	1464	207/1, 208/1	1113.5	0.5	556.75	0.0557	RF
14	Mulchera	-	513	-	1132.3	0.5	566.15	0.0566	RF
15	Mulchera	Vivekanandpur	1460/1, 1460/2, 1460/3, 1461	319, 321, 334, 11	1977.6	0.5	988.8	0.0989	RF
16	Mulchera	Vishvnatnagar	1526	96, 100, 74/1	1965.5	0.5	982.75	0.0983	RF
17	Mulchera	Bandukpalli	-	164/1	1128.8	0.5	564.4	0.0564	UF
18	Mulchera	Bhagwantnager	1465	73, 16	1431.8	0.5	715.9	0.0716	RF
19	Mulchera	Sundernager	1471/2	212	265.1	0.5	132.55	0.0133	RF
20	Mulchera	Kudirampalli	1474	109	1052.2	0.5	526.1	0.0526	RF
21	Mulchera	Ambatpalli	178	56/1	1152.9	0.5	576.45	0.0576	RF
22	Mulchera	Mathuranagar	1487, 1488, 1489	23, 34, 2	1355.5	0.5	677.75	0.0678	RF
23	Aheri	Krishtapur velgur	633, 896, 897, 898	68/1/1, 145/1,	2396.9	0.5	1198.45	0.1198	PF
24	Aheri	Navegaon	896, 897, 898	103, 95	854.5	0.5	427.25	0.0427	PF
25	Aheri	Welgur S.	899, 900	190/1	168.9	0.5	84.45	0.0084	PF
26	Aheri	Botlacheru	1740, 1741	34/1, 57/1	2862.9	0.5	1431.45	0.1431	RF
27	Aheri	Botlacheru FDCM	13	57/1	2799.1	0.5	1399.55	0.1400	RF
28	Aheri	Tanbodi	1611, 1786	21/1	2507.1	0.5	1253.55	0.1254	PF
29	Aheri	Italcheru	941	169/1	558.5	0.5	279.25	0.0279	PF
30	Aheri	Khamancheru	932, 933, 934, 936	228, 237, 200, 186/1, 59/1, 60/1/1	1037.8	0.5	518.9	0.0519	PF

31	Aheri	Kannepalli	968	17, 20/1/1	445.2	0.5	222.6	0.0223	PF
32	Aheri	Rampur S	920	74/1/2, 33/1/1, 32, 5/1/1, 16/1, 13/1	1240.6	0.5	620.3	0.0620	PF
33	Aheri	Krishnapur	981	148/1	161.2	0.5	80.6	0.0081	PF
34	Aheri	Aheri	998, 1010	180, 201, 200	1244.2	0.5	622.1	0.0622	PF
35	Aheri	Yenkapalli	1023	25/1, 134/1	1449.6	0.5	724.8	0.0725	PF
36	Aheri	Nagepalli M	28	86, 43	1216.3	0.5	608.15	0.0608	RF
37	Aheri	Alapalli	81 (1808)	41, 141/1, 120	2434.8	0.5	1217.4	0.1217	RF
38	Aheri	-	42, 1	-	1867.4	0.5	933.7	0.0934	RF
39	Aheri	-	8	-	1183	0.5	591.5	0.0592	RF
40	Aheri	-	9	-	1981.7	0.5	990.85	0.0991	RF
41	Aheri	-	10	-	622.1	0.5	311.05	0.0311	RF
42	Aheri	-	66	-	1233.8	0.5	616.9	0.0617	RF
43	Aheri	Talwada	65, 1809	44, 65, 67, 68, 69, 70, 82	1162.5	0.5	581.25	0.0581	RF
44	Aheri	-	35	-	822.3	0.5	411.15	0.0411	RF
45	Aheri	-	34	-	1251.4	0.5	625.7	0.0626	RF
46	Aheri	-	33, 35	-	1804.9	0.5	902.45	0.0902	RF
47	Aheri	-	76, 77	-	1783.7	0.5	891.85	0.0892	RF
48	Aheri	Mirkal	1701, 1703	69, 77	1758.4	0.5	879.2	0.0879	PF
49	Aheri	Medpalli (Pirmili)	699, 1359, 1360	88/1/1, 101/1, 29/1/1	4331.8	0.5	2165.9	0.2166	PF
50	Aheri	Koreli Khu	691, 692	65/1	3369.1	0.5	1684.55	0.1685	PF
51	Aheri	Arenda S.	1370, 703	130, 2/1/1	2158.2	0.5	1079.1	0.1079	PF
Total								3.7430	

2. This 'In-principle' approval is issued subject to the following conditions:-

- 1) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) User Agency shall obtain wildlife clearance and/or ensure compliance of mitigation measures, if required or suggested by the PCCF (Wildlife).
- 3) The User Agency shall submit NoC from FDCM, prior to commencement of work.
- 4) User Agency shall submit the 7/12 extract of Compt No.249, 237, 250, 278, 280, 294, 292, 291, 289, 288,284, 285 at Village Charmoshi, Compt No.1819, 513 at Village Mulchera & Compt No.42, 1, 8, 9, 10, 66, 35, 34, 33, 35, 76, 77 at Village Aheri, prior to commencement of work.
- 5) User Agency shall defray the cost of plantation (including ten years maintenance) of 100 tree shall be levied from the User Agency towards Compensatory

Afforestation. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species along with 10% RET species of Gadchiroli District shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided. Details of land proposed for Plantation (Record of Rights & KML File), shall be submitted before Stage-II/Final approval.

- 6) The Optical Fiber Cable Line will be laid within maximum size of the trench of 2.00 meters depth & 0.50 meter width with cable line under the OFC pipeline.
- 7) If User Agency has not submitted bank guarantee or paid security deposit with concern road authority (NHAI/MSRDC/PWD/ZP), the agency shall submit a bank guarantee at the rate of Rs.50/- per running meter and an undertaking to that effect shall also be submitted. If the agency fails to reclaim the land to the satisfaction of concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, the cost for reclamation will be covered from the bank guarantee.
- 8) If the cable is going to be laid in the formation width of the road, then additional charges in form of bank guarantee shall be given at the rate of Rs.35/- per running meter. Similarly for reclamation of side drain and for tarred portion, the guarantee will be at the rate of Rs.300/- per meter and Rs.750/- per meter respectively. An undertaking shall be obtained from the User Agency that it has agreed to make good any loss to Forest/ Environment while laying the cable in the forest area and during maintenance of the same in future.
- 9) For further maintenance of the project, the agency shall obtain permission from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests as and when required.
- 10) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the proposal.
- 11) No felling of trees shall be done during the implementation of project.
- 12) No new forest area beyond the Right of Way of existing road should be broken for laying Optical Fiber Cable.
- 13) The User Agency shall pay the cost of additional Net Present Value, if required in future.
- 14) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- 15) After completion of the project, User Agency will reclaim the area under RoW suitably.
- 16) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the State Government.
- 17) This sanction is subject to the final clearance by the Department of Information & Technology for the project and concerned PWD authorities for the project.
- 18) The User Agency shall compensate the private owners of forest land if any, in accordance with the prevalent laws, rules & guidelines.
- 19) The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.

- 20) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and Guidelines shall be complied by the User Agency.
 - 21) All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on User Agency.
 - 22) The User Agency shall make good of any loss to Forest / Environment.
 - 23) All necessary approvals required for the project as per the prevailing laws of the land would be obtained by User Agency.
 - 24) Any breach of the conditions by the User Agency will be treated as violation of the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
3. This Government Order is available at the Government of Maharashtra's website www.maharashtra.gov.in with reference No. 202505191321580719. This Order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:-

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4. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
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7. Collector, Gadchiroli.
8. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli.
9. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli.
10. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Allapalli.
11. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd, Pune.
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